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MEMORANDUM FOR: [ ] Assistant to DCI

SUBJECT : Agenda for Informal Meeting of the PSB, 30 April 1953

[ ] No OSD referral - No OSD equity

1. Attached is the agenda for the informal meeting of the PSB.
2. Item 1 is the same as item 1 of last week's meeting, and I gather will be a standard item for the next few weeks.
3. Item 2 on the Italian Elections was proposed by NSA and will include a discussion of recent developments in the off-shore procurement contract field. It is proposed that the Fiat Company be given a contract for the assembly of American F-84's or 86's, but there is a security problem as to how advanced models the U. S. should be willing to let an Italian firm make.
4. In connection with item 2, there may also be a discussion of recent developments affecting the Italian elections. At the PSB staff meeting today Mr. Edward O'Connor, Special Assistant to Mr. Morgan and a member of a panel following up the President's Emergency Immigration Program message, said that the panel is drafting a model bill which will be presented to Congress in the near future and which will provide for the immigration of 75,000 Italians in the next two years; that it is planned to start controlled hearings prior to the elections, but that there will be no general debate at which open opposition may make itself heard until after the elections.
5. Item 3 will be an account by the Defense Representative of the background for the offer of 100 thousand dollars for MIG's.
6. Under item 4, Mr. Godel reported at today's staff meeting that Mr. Kyes at the Board meeting will distribute a memorandum on the indoctrination of Korean POW's. It is my understanding that this memorandum will state that the first two groups to be sent back to the U. S. have not been indoctrinated, but that a third suspect group will leave Japan on 2 May and will be sent to Valley Forge Hospital for interrogation. It is estimated that a minimum of 19 and a maximum of 65 of these prisoners are indoctrinated. A special committee consisting of representatives of G-2, G-3, Army Psych War, and Offices of the Chaplain and the Surgeon General will evaluate the total effect of the Communist indoctrination.

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